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NOTES

The membership of the American Economic Association on May 1, 1912 was 2544. Since the annual meeting 251 new members have been added and there have been 111 resignations.

If any member of the Association has a copy of *THE ECONOMIC BULLETIN*, Vol. II, No. 1, (1909), with which he is willing to part, the secretary (Professor T. N. Carver, Cambridge, Mass.) would be glad to have it sent to his office, to be used in making up bound volumes. Fifty cents each will be paid for a few copies.

A quarterly meeting of the American Statistical Association was held at Washington, April 5, at which Mr. E. W. Parker, of the United States Geological Survey, read a paper on "The Coal Supplies and the Coal Production of the United States."

A conference of economists from the universities of Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, Chicago, and Northwestern University was held in Chicago on May 10 and 11. Discussion was largely informal and devoted chiefly to questions as to methods and ideals for graduate work in economics.

The twenty-sixth annual convention of the International Association of Factory Inspectors will be held at Washington, June 4-8, 1912.

The Fifth International Congress of Chambers of Commerce will be held in Boston, September 24-28, 1912. Delegates are of two classes, those selected by governments and others appointed by commercial organizations. Among the matters to be discussed are the establishment of a permanent international court of arbitral justice to secure continuity of jurisprudence and arbitration; the unification of legislation relating to checks; international postal reform; the compilation of international commercial statistics; the formation of an international maritime union; regulation of expositions; international agreement between banks of issues; and the abolition of discrimination against foreign merchants on account of their religion. Detailed information in regard to plans and program may be had by addressing the Office of the General Organizing Committee, Boston Chamber of Commerce.

The Second National Conference on Industrial Diseases will be held at Atlantic City, June 3-5, in joint session with the American Medical Association.

The International Association for Labor Legislation will meet at Zurich, Switzerland, Sept. 10-12.

The meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science will be held this year at Dundee, beginning September 4. Sir Henry H. Cunynghame will be president of the section for economic science and statistics.

Dr. John Franklin Crowell is preparing a volume entitled *The World Market*, dealing with the evolution and the organization of international commerce, and intended for collegiate grade of instruction as well as for general readers.

Dr. Delos F. Wilcox has prepared a work entitled *Government by All the People; or the Initiative, the Referendum and the Recall as Instruments of Democracy*, to be published by the Macmillan Company.

Economic Beginnings of the Far West, by Professor Katharine Coman, is announced for publication in September, 1912.

The report of Professor John B. Clark, director of the Division of Economic History of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, under date of October 26, 1911, has been published in pamphlet form (pp. 25).

The report of the Department of Economics and Sociology of the Carnegie Institution at Washington for 1911 has been reprinted from *Year Book No. 10* (pp. 69-77).

The *Bulletin of the Intercollegiate Socialist Society* for Dec.-Jan., 1911-12 (105 West Fortieth St., N. Y.), notes that the number of undergraduate chapters has increased during the past year from 16 to 38, with a present membership of 750; and the number of graduate chapters from 1 to 4, with membership of 300. "The largest non-socialist contingency is in New England."

The final publication of Professor Irving Fisher's *Elementary Principles of Economics* is announced by Macmillan.

Under the title *University of Illinois Studies in the Social Sciences* there was begun in March a series of monographic studies in history, economics, political science, and sociology, written by members of the university. The editorial board is composed of E. L. Bogart, chairman, J. A. Fairlie, and L. M. Larson.

In March appeared the first number of a monthly magazine for investors, "Securities Review," published by G. Lynn Sumner and Company of Scranton, Pennsylvania. In view of the universal demand for larger income on invested money, this journal will make a special study of the effect of the gold supply.

In connection with the annual meeting of the Michigan Academy of Science, the Section of Economics held three sessions in Ann Arbor, on March 29 and 30, under the chairmanship of Professor Harrison S. Smalley, vice-president of the Academy. The following papers were presented: "The Ethical Implications of Economic Theory," by Walton H. Hamilton, of the University of Michigan; "The Present Status of Workmen's Compensation Legislation in the United States," by Professor Edward H. Ryder, of Michigan Agricultural College; "Scientific Management and the Wage Earner," by Professor Frank T. Carlton, of Albion College, and "The Cost Theory of Railway Rates," by Professor Henry C. Adams, of the University of Michigan. In addition to these papers there was a general discussion of the final report of the Michigan Commission of Inquiry into Taxation. Professor Frank T. Carlton, of Albion College, was elected vice-president of the Academy in charge of the Section of Economics for the ensuing year.

There has recently been organized the Texas Applied Economics Club, which will undertake a study of the industrial problems of Texas. Judge N. A. Stedman is president and Professor Lewis H. Haney is secretary and treasurer. The first meeting was held at Austin, May 10, when papers were read on railway, capitalization, taxation, and corporations. The proceedings will be published as a bulletin of the University of Texas.

A European tour, extending from June 29 to August 25, 1912, for the "study of social problems and social solutions" is announced, under the directorship of Dr. E. E. Pratt (9 Livingston Place, New York).

The Minnesota Tax Commission has created a Department of Research and Statistics, appointing Professor E. V. D. Robinson, of the University of Minnesota, its director. Professor Robinson will retain his position at the university. The principal topic to be investigated at present is the question of gross earnings versus ad valorem taxation of public service corporations.

Miss Julia C. Lathrop has been appointed director of the federal Children's Bureau recently established by Congress. Miss Lathrop was educated in the public schools of Rockford, and later at Rockford and Vassar Colleges. She was private secretary in her father's law office until 1890, when for the first time she went to Hull-House. After that time she lived there for varying periods. One of the first

things she did at Hull-House was to apply to the County Agent for a position as visitor for outdoor relief. This was objected to on the score that she was not a voter, so she took the position without salary. In 1893 Governor Altgeld decided to put a woman on the State Board of Charities and offered the position to Hull-House. Miss Lathrop was selected to take it. She was on this Board for eight years. It had always been a requirement that the State Board should visit every almshouse and industrial school in the state, but this had never been done until Miss Lathrop made it her duty. As the result of her observations she became one of the workers for the Juvenile Court Law, because she found dependent children of the state in poor houses and delinquent children in the common jails. On account of the persistent political nomination of the Board, she resigned from her place under Governor Yates, and her letter of resignation contained a protest which was of great value in stimulating a movement for a stronger Civil Service Law. Miss Lathrop was again appointed on the Board under Governor Deneen and remained a member until the Board was reorganized. During her terms of service she made several trips to Europe to learn advanced methods for the treatment of the insane. She has always advocated the boarding out system for chronic cases and the establishment of psychopathic hospitals for acute cases. Miss Lathrop is President of the Mental Hygiene Society of Illinois, which is devoted to the interests of the insane, Fourth Vice-President of the Chicago Juvenile Protective Association, and Chairman of the Psychopathic Institute of Chicago, which seeks to determine the physical basis for delinquency in children.

JANE ADDAMS.

The Alice Freeman Palmer Memorial Fellowship has been granted by the Association of Collegiate Alumnae to Miss Putnam, instructor in history at Mount Holyoke College, who will have a leave of absence for the academic year 1912-1913. She will spend the year in England studying problems of mediaeval labour legislation, and will make an investigation of the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries similar to that already made in her book on the *Enforcement of the Statutes of Labourers during the First Decade after the Black Death 1349-1359*.

The David A. Wells prize of Harvard University, of \$500, has been awarded to M. T. Copeland, Ph.D., Harvard, 1910, now instructor of economics in New York University. His essay, on "The Cotton

Manufacturing Industry in the United States," will be printed in the series of *Harvard Economic Studies* published by the department of economics. The David A. Wells prize was founded by the distinguished economist whose name it bears; and the fund which he established provides not only for the payment of this prize (the largest pecuniary prize offered in the University), but also for the publication of the essay.

A circular in regard to the ninth contest for the Hart Schaffner and Marx prizes may be had from Professor J. Laurence Laughlin of the University of Chicago. Manuscript must be submitted by June 1, 1913.

A gift of \$125,000 has been made by Mr. E. C. Converse of New York for the establishment of a professorship in banking at the graduate school of business administration of Harvard University.

Among the more recent additions to an already lengthy list of series of economic monographs are the *Freiburger Volkswirtschaftliche Abhandlungen*, edited by Professors K. Diehl and G. von Schulze-Gävernitz, (Karlsruhe i. B.: G. Braunsche Verlag); the *Abhandlungen aus dem volkswirtschaftliche Seminar der Technischen Hochschule zu Dresden*, edited by Professor R. Wuttke, (Leipzig: Duncker & Humblot); and the *Basler volkswirtschaftliche Arbeiten*, edited by Professor S. Bauer, (Stuttgart: W. Kohlhammer).

The Deutsche Landwirtschafts-Gesellschaft (Berlin) has published the fourteenth study in a series begun in 1906, *Betriebsverhältnisse der deutschen Landwirtschaft*. It is by B. Schöne and is devoted to the northern part of the Kingdom of Saxony.

W. Rothschild (Berlin) announces the publication of *Handbuch der Politik*. Many specialists have combined to make this a scientific treatment of actual conditions. Broad in its scope, the work contains among its most notable contributions: "Tax reform," by Dr. von Eheberg; "Valuation," by Dr. Lexis; "Public credit," by Dr. Schwarz; "Legislation bearing upon cartels and trusts," by Dr. Liefmann; and "Workmen's insurance," by Dr. von Schanz. The work appears in two volumes (36 m.)

Félix Alcan (Paris) announces the publication of *Histoire Universelle du Travail* under the direction of G. Renard. It is to comprise twelve volumes, three of which are to appear in 1912, each volume containing 400 pages of text in addition to extracts from pub-

lic documents. Society past and present is studied from a modern point of view, pointing out the mediums through which humanity has gratified its wants during various ages and in various countries, how it has developed its economic life and organized its activities, together with the lessons to be drawn therefrom.

A new monthly in the interests of better housing conditions in South Wales and Monmouthshire is "The Housing Reformer," published by H. Stanley Jevons (4 Park Place, Cardiff).

The first number of a new quarterly, the "Ungarische Rundschau für historische und soziale Wissenschaften," appeared in January, 1912 (Leipzig, Duncker & Humblot, 20 m.) Despite the promise of its title, the first number contains but one article of distinctly economic interest "Die Einschränkung der Einwanderung in der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika," by Géza v. Hoffmann. The other papers treat of various themes in literature, art, and archaeology, and indicate a scope not differing widely from that of the well-known "Revue de Hongrie."

The January-February number of the "Jahrbücher für National-ökonomie und Statistik" is a jubilee number in honor of Dr. Conrad's fiftieth year of connection with the journal, of which he has been editor since 1878. Articles in this number are by the associate editors and other professors of political economy at the University of Halle.

A new journal "Encyclopédie du Mouvement Syndicaliste" now appears monthly at a subscription price of twelve francs, under the direction of V. Griffueltes and L. Joutraux, and published by Marcel Rivière et Cie (Paris). It comprises two distinct parts: first, a general index of current thought in dictionary form; second, an international review of the movement.

"Archiv für exakte Wirtschaftsforschung," formerly "Thünen-Archiv," is now published quarterly by E. Laur. R. Ehrenberg, however, continues as editor. Its aim is to present exact and scientific information and interpretation. The economics of farming, forestry, mining, labor, and commerce are given especial attention.

The Swedish journal "Aftonbladet" has brought together under the title *Hur man arbetar i utlandet* (Stockholm, 1911, pp. 96) the results of an inquiry into labor organizations in Belgium, France, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Switzerland, England, and the United States. The necessity for coöperation between nations is emphasized.

The Deutscher Verein für Versicherungs-Wissenschaft offers two prizes of 5,000 marks each for the best monographs on the history of life insurance and fire insurance in Germany. Manuscripts are to be submitted before January 1, 1914.

The library of the late Professor Levasseur, of the Collège de France, has been offered for sale. It contains about 18,000 books, brochures, and maps, and represents the lifetime collection of one of the most distinguished economists of Europe. It has been carefully catalogued under the following classification: working classes, property, economists, economics, education, money, finance, taxation and commerce, agriculture, industry, sociology, exhibitions, statistics, transportation, justice, prisons, history, fine arts, administration, geography, strikes, and arbitration. Information concerning the terms of sale will be furnished by Professor Raphael Georges Lévy, 3 rue de Naisiel, Paris.

Appointments and Resignations

Mr. A. B. Balcom has been appointed instructor in economics at the University of Minnesota.

Professor F. Spencer Baldwin has been appointed secretary of the Massachusetts Employees' Insurance Association, organized to furnish insurance to employers who accept the provisions of the new compensation act, which goes into effect July 1, 1912. This association was established in accordance with a provision of the act, and was originally designed to have a monopoly of this field of insurance. The act was amended, however, in passage through the legislature, to permit the liability insurance companies also to furnish insurance under the new plan.

Dr. George E. Barnett will be in Germany this summer, spending most of the time at Munich.

Dr. E. W. Bemis is now assisting the city of Des Moines in an appraisal of their waterworks for the proposed purchase by the city, and is also engaged upon a report for the city of Chicago on the proper rates for telephone service.

Dr. Theodore H. Boggs has been promoted to an assistant professorship in economics at Dartmouth College.

Miss Kate Holladay Claghorn will resign her position as registrar of records in the Tenement House Department of New York City, next September, to accept a position on the staff of the New York School

of Philanthropy. Her work will be to lecture on statistical method applied to social work and to direct original investigations.

Professor Edwin J. Clapp has been appointed chairman of the Committee on Docks and Dock Railways of the Citizen's Union of New York City.

Dr. M. T. Copeland, and Messrs. L. M. Corsgrave, H. H. Burbank, R. E. Heilman, and Eliot Jones have been appointed instructors at Harvard University for the year 1912-13.

Mr. R. E. Coulson has returned to his work as special agent of the federal Bureau of Corporations.

Dr. Ira B. Cross, of Stanford University, has been promoted to an assistant professorship.

Mr. J. S. Davis has been appointed instructor in economics at Bowdoin College.

Professor Ely, of the University of Wisconsin, has accepted an appointment as lecturer in economics in the University of London during the spring term of 1913. Dr. Ely expects to publish within a few months a work on *Property and Contract in their Relation to the Distribution of Wealth*.

Professor Frank A. Fetter will lecture on economic theory at Columbia University during the first term of Professor Seligman's absence; for the second term Professor W. M. Daniels will lecture on public finance.

Professor Henry James Ford, of Princeton University, has been appointed by Governor Wilson, commissioner of banking and insurance of New Jersey.

Mr. David Friday has been promoted to a junior professorship in the University of Michigan.

Mr. Charles W. Gerstenberg has been appointed assistant professor of finance in the School of Commerce of New York University.

Professor John Lewis Gillin, of the State University of Iowa, has been called to the University of Wisconsin as associate professor in sociology and acting secretary of the Department of General Information and Welfare of the Extension Division of that university.

Professor Stephen Warren Gilman, of the University of Wisconsin, will teach at the summer session of the University of California.

Professor Everett W. Goodhue will resume his duties at Colgate University in the fall, after a year's leave of absence.

Mr. D. F. Grass has been promoted to an instructorship in Stanford University.

Mr. R. M. Haig has been appointed lecturer in economics at Columbia University for the year 1912-13.

Professor Lewis H. Haney, of the University of Texas, has been promoted to a full professorship.

Mr. Frederic C. Howe has recently been appointed the new head of the People's Institute of New York, to fill the vacancy left by the death of Charles Sprague Smith.

Dr. Robert F. Hoxie, of the University of Chicago, has been promoted to an associate professorship.

Professor S. S. Huebner, of the University of Pennsylvania, has been appointed expert for the Congressional Committee on the Merchant Marine in its investigation of the shipping business and practices connected therewith. The investigation includes shipping agreements, conferences, and combinations; also the practices connected with shipping and the effect of those practices upon the commerce of the country.

Professor Lincoln Hutchinson, of the University of California, has been granted leave of absence for the next academic year.

Professor Joseph French Johnson has been serving for the past year on a commission appointed by the mayor to report on new sources of revenue for the city of New York. He has also been appointed a member of the Committee on Finance of the New York Chamber of Commerce, and is chairman of the Merchant's Association Committee on Taxation and Revenue.

Mr. A. W. Lahee has been appointed an instructor at the University of Vermont.

Professor S. M. Lindsay retires at the end of the present academic year from the position of administrative head of the New York School of Philanthropy, remaining, however, as a member of the teaching staff. Dr. Devine will undertake the duties of director.

Mr. R. C. Line has been appointed instructor in economics at Mt. Holyoke College.

Dr. Esther Lowenthal has been advanced from the position of assistant to that of instructor in economics at Smith College.

Professor Thomas W. Mitchell, of the University of Minnesota, is a member of the State Board of Examiners for Certified Public Accountants.

Professor Wesley C. Mitchell has resigned his position at the University of California to engage in economic research. He has in press

a work on *Economic Cycles*, and is continuing his work on *Money and Prices*.

Professor E. V. D. Robinson has been appointed director of the Division of Research and Statistics created by the Minnesota Tax Commission to report especially on the subject of gross earnings versus ad valorem taxation of railways. Professor Robinson has also been appointed acting head of the department of economics and political science at the University of Minnesota during the absence of Professor John H. Gray who is engaged in special investigations for the National Civic Federation.

Dr. R. S. Saby, for two years instructor in political science at Cornell University, has been promoted to the position of assistant professor.

Mr. D. R. Scott, instructor in political economy in the University of Michigan has resigned to take up journalistic work.

Professor W. A. Scott, of the University of Wisconsin, was engaged through the month of March on a speaking tour through the South under the auspices of the National Citizens' League, the purpose of the tour being to explain the need for monetary reform and how that reform would be accomplished through the operation of the proposed National Reserve Association.

Mr. J. Melbourne Shortliffe has been appointed instructor in economics at Dartmouth College.

Professor Ludwig Sinzheimer, of Munich, will offer two courses at the University of Wisconsin, for the second semester of 1912-13; one on "The Labor Problem," and a second on "The Economic Significance of the Technical Development of Industries."

Mr. George C. Smith has recently resigned his position in the department of economics at the University of Oklahoma to accept an instructorship at Cornell University.

Mr. W. S. Stevens has been appointed lecturer in economics at Columbia University for the year 1912-13.

Mr. Walter W. Stewart, instructor in political economy in the University of Michigan, has resigned to accept an instructorship at the University of Missouri.

Mr. J. R. Turner, lecturer in economics at Cornell University, will be on leave of absence next year studying in the graduate school at Princeton.

Messrs. H. R. Trumbower and W. I. King have been advanced from the rank of assistant to that of instructor at the University of Wisconsin.

Mr. T. W. Van Meter will give instruction in transportation at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, beginning his duties next fall.

Dr. Francis Walker will lecture at the University of Wisconsin during the summer session.

Dr. L. D. H. Weld has been appointed statistician of the Public Service Commission of the First District of New York.

Robert H. Whitten, librarian-statistician of the New York Public Service Commission for the First District, has been granted a leave of absence to undertake, in behalf of the Department of Interstate and Municipal Utilities of the National Civic Federation, an investigation of public service regulation in Great Britain. He will devote special attention to the sliding scale method of rate regulation which has been extensively applied in the gas industry in Great Britain. Mr. Whitten has completed a volume entitled *Valuation of Public Service Corporations: Legal and Economic Phases of Valuation for Rate Making and Public Purchase* (Banks Law Pub. Co.).

Professor Murray S. Wildman, of Northwestern University, has been appointed to succeed Professor A. S. Johnson as head of the department of economics at Stanford University.

Mr. Harvey A. Wooster, instructor in economics in De Pauw University, has been appointed instructor in political economy at Yale University.

Professor Allyn A. Young of Washington University, Professor O. D. Skelton of Queen's University, Professor A. C. Whitaker and Professor H. A. Millis of Leland Stanford University, are to give instruction during the summer session at the University of Chicago.

The death is reported of G. de Molinari on January 28. He was editor of the "Journal des Débats" from 1871 to 1876 and had been editor of the "Journal des Economistes" since 1881.